

## NEWS RELEASE COUNCILMEMBER MARTI EMERALD

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## COUNCILMEMBER EMERALD DELIVERS ON PROMISE OF A NEW CITY HEIGHTS SKATE PARK, THANKS COMMUNITY ADVOCATES AND CITY STAFF FOR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS

San Diego, CA – July1, 2014 - As promised to the youth of City Heights when Councilmember Emerald first ran for Council District 9, there will soon be a brand new skate park in the City Heights community. The City has received a \$4,460,000 grant from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development to design and construct two skateboard parks; one in the Linda Vista Community and one in City Heights.

The Park Projects will consist of the design and construction of two new, multi-generational, skateboard parks within existing parks: Linda Vista Community Park in the Linda Vista Community, and Park De La Cruz in the City Heights Community.

Emerald stated, "This grant will ensure our community, especially our youth, will get their long advocated for skate park."

Emerald also shared, "Our youth have been working towards getting a skate park in City Heights for quite some time. I would like to thank them for spearheading this effort because without them this would not be possible. A big thank you to Martin Moreno and the Mid City CAN (Community Advocacy Network) team, Mid-City Skate park Advocacy Group, City Heights Area Planning Committee, City Heights Recreation Council, Cherokee Point Elementary, The California Endowment, Tony Hawk Foundation, California Department of Housing & Community Development, City of San Diego's Planning Department including Director Bill Fulton and Brian Schoenfisch, Mayor Kevin Faulconer, Council President Todd Gloria, Councilmember Sherman, Councilmember Zapf, and many others for their support."

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